



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of) Examiner: A. Mehta
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Pal Maliga et al.) Art Unit: 1638
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For: "Site Specific)
Recombination System)
To Manipulate the Plastid)
Genome of Higher Plants")

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

In response to the Official Action dated April 4 2005, please amend the above identified patent application as follows: